

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK  
OFFICE**

In re Application of Prof. Richard C. Willson III )  
and Jason Murphy )  
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For: ...Methods and Compositions For Biotechnical ) Examiner  
Separations ) Jeffrey Fredman  
Priority: ("Parent")Serial No.:09/609,996,  
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Response Due: None yet )CM1-11-A13

**Preliminary Amendment**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

In response to the Requirement for Election in the parent application, and to additional novel embodiments of the invention discovered since the filing of the Parent Application, Applicants and their Attorney have elected Group I and hereby submit this Continuation-in-Part Application.

The undersigned Attorney certifies that this Document  
has been filed in the U.S. Post Office as Express Mail  
ET601010076US to the USPTO on 24 April 2001 (37  
CFR 1.10).

**In the Specification**

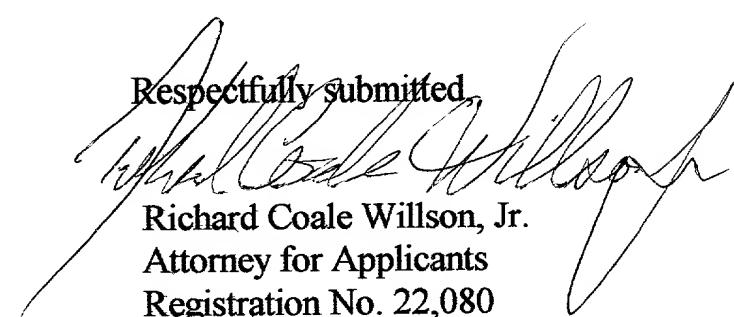
Please substitute the enclosed specification and claims for those in the above parent application.

Applicants' Attorney requests a prompt Office Action on the merits for Claims 1 – 20 herein, as licensing is being negotiated.

Any necessary (small entity) charges can be charged to USPTO Deposit Account 20-336 of Technology Licensing Co. LLC. Correspondence may be addressed to Customer No. 26830.

The Examiner is especially invited to telephone Applicants' Attorney if that would expedite prosecution and disposal of this Application.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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